

THERE WAS NO CASE

Byron Township Litigation Is
Stopped by Judge Adair.

THEY QUARREL OVER SHARES

The Tibbets-Considine Case Taken
From the Jury and a Verdict
Given the Defendant.

Byron township farmers locked horns in the circuit court again yesterday, and the case was ended in a summary manner by Judge Adair directing the jury to find for the defendant without leaving their seats. There are some interesting features about the case. A farm in Byron township belonged to Mrs. John Considine before her death. She left it to her son, John Considine, Jr., on the condition that he would always support his father. The younger Considine worked the farm while, and then made arrangements with Alva Tibbets whereby the latter was to work the farm on shares, each furnishing an equal amount of seed. Considine furnished the horse, cow and agricultural implements, and Tibbets was to take care of John Considine, Sr. He came to the farm with his wife and began work. Before the crops were ripe he had trouble with his wife and left the farm. John Considine, Jr., assumed control and worked the farm until the wheat was ready to be harvested. Then Tibbets began replevin proceedings against the old man and attempted to take possession of the wheat. Considine, Jr., objected and Tibbets desisted. A day or so later Tibbets attacked the wheat with nine men at his back, but was again defeated. Then he directed his replevin proceedings toward Considine, Jr., instead of the old man and got the wheat. He prepared to have it threshed and sold it, but was shut off by an injunction from the circuit court. The case was tried before a justice of the peace at Grandville and Tibbets was knocked out. He appealed to the circuit court and the final issue was as above stated. Judge Adair gave Considine a verdict for \$100, the value of the wheat.

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HER CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Charlotte Handley Still Testifying in
the McKee Case.

The trial of James J. McKee was resumed at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. An hour before the court-room doors were opened a crowd of people filled the corridor, all seemingly curious to hear the testimony in the case. When Judge Judkins arrived, every available seat was occupied, and 100 men stood up throughout the afternoon. Many women were present, and they seemed to pay close attention.

Prosecuting Attorney Wolcott concluded the direct examination of Charlotte Handley with regard to her knowledge of Mabel Dunham's character previous to the day with McKee. She said that she understood that Mabel Dunham had been a married woman, but that she was divorced when they went riding. S. D. Clay began the cross-examination and reviewed the testimony previously given. He objected to the first answer given by the witness. He started in with the life of the witness five or six years before the alleged crime was committed and made her recount every detail of her existence. The witness again described her experience with McKee and Remington. She provoked Clay by saying that she went with McKee to the Sunnyside and entered the place because she did not know any better, and that she took off her coat and hat because she thought there was no harm in doing so. She identified Tibbets as the man who passed the drinks at the Sunnyside. She drank the stuff, she said, because McKee urged her and because she did not think it would harm her. After the witness had said she did several things because she did not think there was any harm in it, Sam Clay intimated that she had been instructed and asked her who told her to make such statements. A little later Sam complained because the witness did not speak up loud and demanded the reason. If the witness was afflicted with a throat trouble he said he wanted to know it. The cross-examination lasted during the entire afternoon and was regarded as one of the closest and most severe that any one has been subjected to in a long while. When court adjourned Charlotte Handley was still being cross-examined by Mr. Clay.

JUSTICE SAUNDERS' COURT.

His Right to Do Business in the City
Questioned.

N. P. Allen has begun a case before Justice Holcomb which will bring up the question of the right of Justice Saunders of Grand Rapids to do business in the city. He has begun proceedings to collect an account for board held by the proprietor of the Kalamazoo house against three railroad men and has garnished the G. E. & I. railroad. Some time ago Justice Saunders rendered a judgment against the hotel keeper and the boarders as garnishee defendants paid \$25 into the court. This is the amount they are now sued for. Mr. Allen holds that all the proceedings before Justice Saunders were null and void.

Arrested A Deserter.

Ernest A. Godfrey does not like army life. Last spring he enlisted at the recruiting station here and afterward regretting his action he tried to get out of his enlistment. He carried the case to the United States court on the ground that he was not 18 years old when he enlisted. He was taken to Columbus, Ohio, but deserted soon after. Benton W. Lewis heard of his whereabouts and wrote to Columbus for a description of the young man. Yesterday Godfrey came to this city and Mr. Lewis had him arrested at once. He will be taken to Detroit today. Mr. Lewis is entitled to \$500 reward for the arrest.

Judge Wheelock's Will.

Emory Wheelock's will was filed for probate yesterday. He left an estate valued at \$3,000 and the bequests were as follows: Harriett S. Nash, sister-in-law, \$500; Abigail Hamilton, \$500; Harriett Hamilton, \$500; Charles Hamilton, \$100; Hattie Truxell, \$50; Emory Wheelock Truxell, watch; Fred A. Wheelock, books; and the remainder of the estate in life to Harriett S. Nash.

Coke Is Sorry He Did It.

James W. Coke, who runs a pool room on Calais street, was convicted of the offense of letting minors play in his

pool and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and costs or go to jail sixty days. Coke is making a hard battle to raise the cash. Coke's place is a colored man's resort and has a hard name with the police.

United States Criminal Court.

The criminal side of the United States court will begin to grind today. The most important case is that of the United States vs. Wm. Eastman. Eastman is charged with getting \$5,000 pension money which was supposed to go to his brother. His brother is in the state of an insane asylum. Eastman was arrested in Kansas last fall. He gave bail in the sum of \$10,000, but his bondsmen gave him up, and he is now in jail.

Court Notes.

The December term of the superior court opened yesterday. The jury will report for duty today. The calendar contains thirty-three criminal cases, six city criminal cases, one issue of fact jury case, three special jury cases, four chancery cases.

Word has been received from State Game Warden Hampton that he will take the Dettmer case to the supreme court. He proposes to have a supreme court construction placed on the new game law.

Alex Vianer, charged with stealing two overcoats from the Bridge Street house barn, was examined in police court yesterday and was held for trial at the present term of the superior court.

Chief Johnson was tried in the superior court yesterday for keeping his saloon open after hours, and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and costs.

Charles Miller, charged with larceny, did not show up in the superior court yesterday when his name was called and his bail was extracted.

Hill Gorman, one of the men who had a row with "Honey" Linkfield last Friday night, paid \$25 in police court yesterday.

Abraham Metzger, accused of assaulting Ludwig Alber of Cannon township, settle up his trouble in justice court yesterday.

Eight prisoners were arraigned in the superior court yesterday and each pleaded not guilty.

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Superior Court.

JUDGE BURLINGAME—People vs. Olof Johnson, keeping saloon open Sunday; paid \$50 and costs. The People vs. Wellington McPherson, uttering forged paper; pleaded not guilty. The People vs. Patrick Shields, burglary and larceny; pleaded not guilty. The People vs. John Tierney, plea of not guilty entered. The People vs. George McWha, selling liquor to minors; plea of not guilty. The People vs. William Thayer, larceny; pleaded not guilty. The People vs. George Carmody, assaulting an officer; plea of not guilty entered.

Police Court.

JUDGE HAGGERTY—James W. Cole, violation pool room ordinance; \$25 and costs or sixty days. William Gorman, disorderly; paid \$25. Alex Vianer, larceny; held for trial.

Gave Him a Bath.

Yesterday afternoon a tramp of the genuine stamp showed up at charity headquarters. He was clothed in rags and had an air about him that would fumigate a glue factory. He was at once shown to the bath-room, where he was kept for half an hour. When he emerged he looked like a different man.

Burial Permits.

Baby Seigmiller, No. 222 Jefferson avenue, Val. City; Walt E. Baker, Union Benevolent Association home, Highland, Mich.; Harriet E. Bush, No. 28 St. Clair street, Valley City; Jantje Eding, No. 208 Jennette street, Greenwood; Peter Barker, No. 131 Jennette street, Greenwood.

Contagious Diseases.

Mary Tea, No. 167 Shawmut avenue, measles; Belle Nevans, No. 137 Madison street, scarlet fever; Mrs. Eunice Martindale, No. 91 Bostwick street, measles; Ann Burdock, No. 101 Monroe street, measles.

Real Estate Transfers.

Floris J. De Vries to Thomas Darragan, lot 12, Ives & Latta's add. \$ 225
Klaus Koning to James Kennedy, piece of land on sec 23, r 12, Grand Rapids. 500
Simon Le Gros to Katie Floeg, piece of land on sec 9, Paris. 1,600
H. Jacob to William E. Allen and wife, piece of land on sec 21, Byron. 1,500
William Collins to Daniel J. Collins, Jr., piece of land on sec 11, Nelson. 600

Tennis.

At the family residence, No. 360 West Bridge street, of congestion of the lungs, Joseph A. Tennis, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Tennis. The funeral will take place from the house on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock.

Burial.

At the Soldiers' home, December 11, Alfred Blakely, aged 48 years 9 months and 11 days. Notice of funeral later.

Marriage Licenses.

The following is a list of the marriage licenses issued since last publication, with the names registered (when out of the city) and ages of the parties.
Age John Myers, Sparta, and Lizzie Gardner, Newburg. 23-20
William J. Murdoch, Canada, and Leta Holmes, Ada. 25-21

Newspaper Men Indicted.

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 11.—T. T. Williams, business manager, and W. A. Hearst, owner of the Examiner, San Francisco, were indicted today by the federal grand jury on the charge of violating the anti-trust laws of the United States by sending papers containing lottery advertisements to subscribers through the mails.

Michigan Pensioners.

Original—David Irvin, Byron Center; A. Marvin Allen, Adrian. Additional—Adolph Weber, Detroit. Supplemental—James Mackell, Fort Sania. In-come—Thomas Christian, Lapeer; Joseph Jewett, Mason. Release—Samuel Kinney, St. John.

Chicago to New York in 20 Hours.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—The Lake Shore and New York Central railroads will resume the operation of their twenty-hour train, better known as the "Exposition Flyer," between Chicago and New York next spring, or as soon as travel warrants it.

Jobbing Millie to Start Up.

Pittsboro, Dec. 11.—The jobbing millie and health furnaces of Moorhead, McLean & Co., employing 150 men, will resume Monday.

Fell and Broke Her Ribs.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 11.—During the Chapman revival services at the Audubon

gymnasium this evening an unknown woman, while endeavoring to secure a seat in the crowded gallery, fell from the gallery to the floor, a distance of twenty feet, breaking several ribs and sustaining other internal injuries. She may recover.

Notice of Collection.

Of State, County and School taxes in the City of Grand Rapids for the year 1903.

CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS.
KENT COUNTY, MICH.
November 30, A. D. 1903.

To the Taxpayers of the City of Grand Rapids, in the County of Kent and State of Michigan:

You are hereby notified that the general Tax Rolls of the respective wards of the City of Grand Rapids for State, County and School taxes have been delivered to me for collection, and the payment of the taxes thereon assessed and levied may be made to me on all sums voluntarily paid before the tenth of January, 1904, with an addition of one per cent for collection fees. And upon all taxes paid on or after said tenth day of January, 1904, there will be added four per cent for collection fees.

That my office for the receipt of payment of such taxes is located on the first floor of the City Hall, in said City of Grand Rapids, near the east end of said City Hall. That said office will be open for the receipt of such taxes in said office assessed from 8 o'clock in the said office until 5 o'clock in the afternoon of each and every week day up to the first day of March, A. D. 1904.

And said office will also be open on Friday of every week (unless such Friday be a legal holiday) and on Tuesday of every week (unless such Tuesday be a legal holiday) from the hour of 7 o'clock p. m. to the hour of 9 o'clock p. m. from the first of December, 1903, to the 10th day of January, 1904, both inclusive.

MARSH H. SCHMIDT,
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